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MEDIA ADVISORY

City of Milwaukee Health Department to Host Final Back-to-School Health Fair of 2015

15th annual health fairs provide needed health services and school supplies to Milwaukee children

MILWAUKEE – On Friday, Aug. 14, the City of Milwaukee Health Department will host its final Back-to-School Health Fair of 2015 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Bradley Tech High School (700 S. 4th St.).

Students accompanied by a parent or guardian will be eligible to receive school-required immunizations, blood lead testing, vision and dental screenings, and more. Free backpacks and school supplies will be provided to children with an up-to-date shot record, or those who receive vaccinations and lead testing.

Along with health services and information, attendees will have an opportunity to meet special guests, as **Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield**, a **BadgerCare HMO**, brings Green Bay Packers legend LeRoy Butler from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

School immunizations are required by state law in Wisconsin. Providing easy access to vaccinations continues to be important as vaccine-preventable illnesses like mumps, measles, and pertussis have seen a return nationwide.

The 2015 health fairs are presented by the City of Milwaukee Health Department and United Way of Greater Milwaukee & Waukesha County in partnership with Children's Hospital of Wisconsin, Children's Community Health Plan, United Healthcare, Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield, Molina Healthcare, MHS Health Wisconsin, and Milwaukee Urban League.

WHAT: 15th Annual Back-to-School Health Fair media availability

WHERE: Bradley Tech High School

700 S. 4th St., Milwaukee

MEDIA AVAILABILITY: 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.

INTERVIEWS: Commissioner of Health Bevan K. Baker

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